# The Right Shepherds

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#### INTRODUCTION

There are two different scripts that can be used to stage this musical. Both scripts are included as part of the material you receive. Both scripts use the same songs to tell the same story, but in slightly different ways...

- **SCRIPT 1: MAIN Script:** This script has 'Narrators Raps' between most of the songs. The 'Narrators Raps' use a total of 84 different lines, meaning you can have as few or as many rapping narrators as you want! An extra music track (audio track 25) has included in your purchase, as music for the narrators to rap over.
- **SCRIPT 2: SIMPLE Script:** This script is the original version of 'The Right Shepherds'. It features a few basic narrators' lines in between some of the songs.

## **EDITABLE SCRIPTS**

It's important to remember that you will receive editable versions of both these scripts so that you can easily make any changes you feel necessary, to make the script more suitable for your requirements.

#### **TIMING**

If you stick exactly to either script, then a full performance of the Right Shepherds should take around 40-50 minutes. If this is too long or too short for you, suggestions are included as part of the material you receive, which should help you easily shorten or lengthen the production by 10-20 minutes either way.

### **CAST LIST**

Part	Details				
Angel Gabriel	The main role. Involves singing several solos.				
Choir of Angels	As many, or as few angels as you want. The choir of angels sing several songs together.				
The Lazy Shepherds. The Worried Shepherds. The Daydreaming Shepherds. The Right Shepherds.	We recommend that 3-4 children make up each of the different groups of shepherds, but you are welcome to have as few, or as many shepherds as you wish.				
<u>Solos:</u> The sections in the scripts that indicate a solo is to be performed are guidelines only. Please feel free to improvise / alter the solo parts as appropriate for your cast.					
Narrators	Simple Script: There are seven short sections in the script that are marked for narrators.  Main Script: There are seven sections in the script that are marked "Narrators RAP", but these can be split up if you wish so that you can have dozens of narrators.				
Mary, Joseph, Kings	Walk on parts only, during song 11. Feel free to have as few, or as many Kings as you want.				

# The Right Shepherds - MAIN Script (Sample)

Please note that due to copyright, this sample document only contains partial song lyrics.

Song 1: (Sung by all)

CHORUS It's Christmas, Christmas, Christmas,

It's coming, coming, coming, coming... etc...

NARRATORS RAP Our story is set two thousand years ago,

And it starts in heaven, come on let's go! The archangel Gabriel has just flown in, From a meeting with God! It's so exciting!

He has some amazing news to tell,

So, pin back your ears and listen well... (Repeat)

Song 2 We'll Tell The World (Verses sung by Gabriel, rest of song sung by all)

GABRIEL Gather round everyone let me tell you,

God's given us a job to do,

To go down to the world and share,

Some brilliant news it's the best thing ever...

CHORUS (All Angels) We'll tell the world, we'll let them know,

We'll do our best, come hail or snow... etc...

NARRATORS RAP So the angels set off into the night,

Flying in formation, a glorious sight, As they came near to Bethlehem,

They saw in a field some shepherd men.

But one thing seemed a little bit odd,

The shepherds appeared to be having a nod, They weren't exactly watching the sheep,

Instead, they were all half-asleep!

Still the angels prepared to,

Tell the shepherds the good news... (Repeat)

Song 3 The Angel's Message (Sung by Gabriel and other angels)

Do not be afraid I bring good news to you, Your Saviour has been born this day... etc...

## Song 4 Why Rush

(Sung by a group of 'lazy shepherds')

Why rush? Why hurry?
We'll go eventually now don't you worry.
Maybe tomorrow, maybe next week,
We might go to Bethlehem to have a peek... etc...

## NARRATORS RAP The lazy shepherds were just no use,

They weren't even moved by this good news, So, the angels left them far behind, As they again took to the skies.

After more searching, they saw a hill, With sheep and shepherds on, what a thrill! These shepherds didn't seem tired or lazy, But their faces were filled with worry.

Still the angels prepared to, Tell the shepherds the good news...

(Repeat)

## Song 5 The Angel's Message (Short version)

(Sung by all angels)

# The Right Shepherds - SIMPLE Script (Sample)

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Song 1: (Sung by all)

CHORUS It's Christmas, Christmas, Christmas,

It's coming, coming, coming... etc...

NARRATORS Yes, our story is set two thousand years ago, and it starts in heaven!

The archangel Gabriel has just come from a senior management team meeting with God, and he has some exciting news to share with all

the other angels!

Song 2 We'll Tell The World (Verses sung by Gabriel, rest of song sung by all)

GABRIEL Gather round everyone let me tell you,

God's given us a job to do,

To go down to the world and share,

Some brilliant news it's the best thing ever...

CHORUS (All Angels) We'll tell the world, we'll let them know,

We'll do our best, come hail or snow... etc...

NARRATORS So all the angels, led by Gabriel, set off to look for some shepherds to

tell the good news to.

As they flew down towards the small town of Bethlehem, the angels could see several fields scattered with sheep. Each flock of sheep seemed to have a different group of shepherds watching over them. They headed for the closest field, landed and started singing to the

shepherds who were there...

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So the angels did indeed leave the lazy shepherds to have a sleep and went looking elsewhere. The group of shepherds in the next field looked promising enough. They seemed wide awake for a start – that was always a good sign!

Song 5 The Angel's Message (Short version) (Sung by all angels)